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and yourself will feel happier and better if you all drink Blanke's Coffee. We're head-over-heels in this business of selling that brand of coffee. We've said a good deal lately about Blanke's Coffee, but haven't said half enough things in praise of it. Now we propose to come out flat-footed and declare that no other coffee on earth is any better. We really don't believe it has an equal. The price is 25 cents a pound, and if you don't like it, come back and get your money. That's the way we sell it.

The Best Grocery in This Town

is ours. We do the biggest business, too. We want to do still more business. We want to treat people so squarely that they won't buy anywhere else. By-the-way, did you know we keep in stock Monarch canned goods—high-priced, but awful good. Do you know where you can get any better Flour than ours? Have you ever seen a place where you can do better on Queensware and Woodenware?

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Roll of Honor.

The following friends have done us the agreeable favor during the past week by either becoming new subscribers or by renewing their subscription to the COURIER. May heaven bless 'em:

NEW SUBSCRIBERS.

Mrs. Mary Divilbiss. W. R. Hicks.

RENEWALS.

P. S. Gordan, Jr., I. R. Smith,
Victor Smith, Mrs. Nora Carter,
J. C. Moore, J. R. Smith,
Thomas Karcher, Edward Schlachter,
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J. A. Vest, J. O. Dearing,
Mrs. Jas. F. Ringer, W. P. Carskadon,
Wm. Brockman.

Baptist Herman of near Dalton was a pleasant and substantial caller at the COURIER office Monday. Mr. Herman has been laid up for two or three weeks because of his heroism in having a piece of skin 4x5 inches removed from one leg and a piece 3x4 inches taken from the other leg, which were used in grafting new skin onto the right foot of Rudolph, the little 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman. The foot was badly burned two years ago. The little fellow was having spasms and the mother placed a hot flat-iron to his foot, not knowing the iron was anything like as hot as it was. The wound deformed the foot very much and has since refused to heal. The removal of the sections of skin from the father's legs, the grafting on the burn and the straightening of the foot was done by Drs. A. W. Zillman of Indian Grove and H. E. Kirkpatrick of Dalton, and we are glad to learn that the desired results are about to be accomplished.

Central College Quartette will give a concert at the courthouse Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, July 26. Admission 25 and 15 cents. A good vocal program and a 15 or 20 minutes address in interest of Central College. Come, enjoy it and see what kind of men Central is sending out.

Both Hands Mangled.

Tuesday while John Ewing who lives about a mile and a half southwest of town was putting hay into the loft with a patent hay fork, his little 7-year-old daughter, Catherine, caught hold of a rope near a pulley, which pulled both of her hands against the pulley and cutting and mangling her fingers in a horrible manner. As her fingers came in contact with the pulley she screamed and her father, who was driving the horse which was used in hoisting the hay to the loft, stopped and backed up otherwise the little girl's fingers and perhaps her hands would have been entirely cut off.

Dr. Aldridge was summoned and called into consultation Dr. Perkins and upon examination it was found that all the flesh had been torn off the third finger of her left hand and the first and second fingers were denuded of skin. On the right hand, the second finger was badly lacerated. Numerous stitches were necessary to fix the hands right. Latest report say that little Catherine is getting along nicely and unless other complications set in she will soon be alright again.

Shot in the Back.

An additional excitement was manifested in a crap game at Forest Green Saturday night when Wes Jacobs was shot by Covy Perkins, another descendant of Ham. Nan Houston and Pat White, also colored, were mixed up in the affray. The two latter engaged Jacobs in a fight when Perkins shot him in back with a revolver. The ball entering the small of the back and plowing clear through the body and coming out of the right breast just above the nipple. The trio were arrested by Constable J. H. Lee of Chariton township and brought to Keytesville and turned over to Sheriff S. J. Shaughnessy Sunday. The charge against Perkins was assault with intent to kill, while assault and disturbing the peace were charged against Houston and White. The offenders were taken to Forest Green Wednesday where the preliminary examination was held before Equire Elliott. Perkins was bound over to await the action of the grand jury. Houston and White will serve 70 days, each, for their participation in the frolic and are now boarding at Hotel de Shaughnessy. At last reports the wounded man was getting along finely and, if no complication sets in, he will get well.

An Editor's Dog.

The editor of the Sumner Star gives the following graphic description of his dog:

"Any person wanting a watch dog that will attend strictly to business can be accommodated by calling at the editor's domicile at the corner of First and Elm, in this city. He is warranted to have a good appetite and to keep everybody awake within three blocks with his unearthly howling of nights. If you want him you will do well to call before some of the neighbors kill him."

The COURIER is inclined to believe that the canine of the Star man is afflicted with fleas and is hungry. We don't know where the dog got the fleas, but the hunger was contracted by intimate association with an editor. All editors are built that way.

A habit of cheerfulness enables one to transmit apparent misfortunes into real blessings.

Cupid's Conquest.

KLEE-BUCKLES:—Arthur Klee and Miss Carrie Buckles, both of Triplett, were married at Brunswick Sunday, July 15, 1906, Eld. E. H. Williamson making the twain one.

HOETTE-PIXLEY:—Cooper Hoette of near Keytesville and Miss Maggie Pixley of near Salisbury were married at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. Neal of Salisbury Wednesday, July 11, 1906, Rev. J. D. Smith uniting their future lines.

GRINDSTAFF-MOTLEY:—Frank Grindstaff one of the progressive young farmers of near Eccles, and Miss Jessie Mosely, the young and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Mosely of Eccles, plighted their vows to live in double blessedness, at the home of 'Squire H. A. Wheeler, who joined their hearts and hands to all worldly pleasures.

GLENN-HARRISON:—Luther Glenn and Miss Tillie Harrison, both of Brunswick, were married in Mendon Sunday, July 15, 1906, at the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. Walter Bilby. The bridegroom is a son of Jas. Glenn of near Brunswick, and is an industrious young farmer. The bride is a prepossessing daughter of City Marshal and Mrs. J. R. Harrison of Brunswick, and has been the popular and accommodating "hello" girl at Brunswick's central telephone office for some time. The COURIER hopes for them all of the sweets known to the honorable estate of matrimony.

Crap Shooter Shot.

Orea Banks, a bad coon of Dalton, lies wounded as the result of a pistol shot during a crap game which occurred in the woods just north of Dalton at 2 o'clock Sunday morning. The shooting was done by Dan Robinson, another negro, the ball passing into Banks' abdomen and the wound is serious, if not fatal. Robinson has left for parts unknown and no clue to his whereabouts is obtainable. The general opinion is that Robinson would be cleared if brought to trial on account of the bad record of Banks who has shot two or three negroes in his career. It is reported that Robinson was one of his victims having been shot in the mouth by Banks some time ago.

On Sunday Dr. B. Hughes of Keytesville, Dr. Kirkpatrick Dalton and Dr. Zillman of Indian Grove made an examination of the patient and cut into and cleaned out the laparotomy cavity and sewed him up. In conversation with Dr. Hughes, he stated that Banks had a fair chance to recovery.

Herman McFarland, in company with Gen. Price, Monday, was driving below the Keytesville station, and in attempting to pass another vehicle on the narrow dump, the buggy was overturned throwing the occupants out. General Price fell on top of McFarland and the latter's right arm was fractured near the shoulder joint. The fracture was reduced by Dr. B. Hughes and the injured man is doing nicely. The General escaped without a scratch.

When a girl begins to ask a fellow about his life insurance, the rest ought to be easy.

Triplett's Mineral Well.

One of the most interesting sights in Chariton county is the artesian well at Triplett, which is nearly 1,500 feet deep and was put down by the enterprising citizens of that pushing little city and vicinity at a cost of several thousand dollars, the object being to prospect for gas, coal, oil or any other valuable things that might underlay the surface of the earth in that locality. The only valuable thing, however, that was found was the mineral properties of whose waters are said to surpass even those of the famous sulphur-saline springs at Excelsior Springs.

So far as our taste could detect, sulphur and salt predominate in the water of the Triplett gusher, though it contains several other properties that are helpful in the cure of human ills. The water is a fine cathartic, and it is wonderful how much of it one can drink without "busting."

Some claim that it is helping their rheumatism, others that it has relieved them of constipation and other pains from drinking it. "Uncle" Billy Hooper has cured an ephithilma on one of his eyes by bathing it in the water. B. A. Gibson says he formerly suffered with tired feet, but has obtained relief by bathing his pedal extremities in Triplett's mineral and everflowing fountain, which Judge R. T. Morehead declares it is also a sure shot on corns. He's tried it and knows.

W. O. Ballew, heretofore believed to be an invincible old bachelor of Triplett, is an enthusiast over the well. He, too, has been drinking of its water and is now making goo-goo eyes at every woman he sees, and the indications are that he is about to surrender completely to some fair Psyche.

The casing to the well is five inches in diameter and the flow of water, is the full size of the casing, is continuous. A "reducer" was put on Saturday afternoon and the clear, sparkling water now spouts 15 or 20 feet into the air and is indeed a beautiful sight to look upon, especially when it reflects all the colors of the rainbow. This well, we verily believe, is a very valuable asset to Triplett, but it will take money and lots of it to build a hotel, bath-house, and properly beautify and make attractive grounds. Then the crowd will come, drink of the waters and soon Triplett and her mineral well will, we hope, become famous all over the world.

Mrs. M. F. Courtney of Kingman, Kas., who has been here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hancock, left for Higginsville one day last week to attend her cousin, Miss Mamie Hancock, who is quite sick. Miss Mamie now makes her home with her brother, Dave of Higginsville, but was reared in Keytesville.

While Jim Dillard, col., was in bed asleep at the home of his sister in Salisbury Saturday night, says the Democrat, some unknown fiend threw carbolic acid in his face, which if it had gotten into his eyes would have burned them out. He was treated by Dr. Banning, and left for his home in Kansas City Sunday morning. The deed is supposed to have been prompted from jealousy.

Riches have wings, but they are not the kind of wings that are fashionable in heaven.

Two More Divorce Suits.

Two more couples have been drinking of the cup of matrimonial misery and have brought suits for divorce.

Mrs. Millie Cross, col., of Brunswick has found marriage to Edward Cross a failure. She states in her divorce petition that she and the defendant were lawfully married in Howard county, Mo., on or about the 25th of December, 1880, and that they continued to live together until about the 15th of June, 1903. She says that during all that time she discharged all her duties, etc., as the wife of defendant, but that he, wholly disregarding his duties as her husband, was guilty of such cruel and barbarous treatment as to endanger the life of plaintiff; that he became addicted to the use of intoxicating liquor, and while under the influence of liquor became quarrelsome without just cause and threatened to kill her, and, in furtherance of his threats, fired a loaded pistol at her, and at another time, while on a farm in Randolph county, Mo., he threw a glass bottle at her and struck her in the face and out a gash, the scar of which is still plainly visible. For this wanton assault and battery the defendant was tried, convicted and sentenced to the county jail at Huntsville for about three months, and after he had served out his term of imprisonment he came back to her dwelling and promised to reform, but, contrary to his promise, again he became drunk and resumed his former habits, quarreling and threatening to do plaintiff great bodily harm. In consequence of which brutal conduct, and fearing he would carry out his threats and endanger her life, she left him and has been working out as a house servant for respectable families, and is still so employed making a living for herself and their children who are self-supporting. With this plaintiff Mrs. Cross asks the court for a decree of divorce. Benecke & Benecke of Brunswick are her attorneys.

Mrs. Susie Taylor has employed J. M. DeMoss of Keytesville to procure a divorce for her from her husband, Orville Taylor, to whom she was married at St. Joseph, Mo., April 16, 1905, and lived with until July 1, 1905, when he abandoned her without good and sufficient reason or provocation on her part, and has since lived separate and apart from her. Mrs. Taylor's maiden name was Miss Susie Munson, and she is now living near Guthridge Mills. The defendant is still a resident of St. Joseph.

We note in the Tribune that the home of Frank Biggs in Triplett was entered Friday evening about 9 o'clock and a purse containing \$1 was taken. The family was not at home at the time, and the robbery was discovered by the neighbors who turned in an alarm. On account of valuable articles being left unmolested it is supposed to be the work of a local amateur.

The 4th quarterly conference will be held at Asbury chapel, July 20 and 22. Rev. B. D. Siple will preach Friday night, Saturday morning and afternoon and Sunday morning. Dinner will be served on the ground on Saturday.

If a man would only pay his debts as promptly as his grudges his credit would be better.

Smutz Family Re-union.

Isaac Smutz and Sarah Stauffer were married December 6, 1832. The living descendants of this union now number 154. Six years ago the idea was conceived of having an annual gathering of the members of this family. The first of these meetings was held at the home of Joseph Woodward, August 30, 1900. On this occasion 78 members were present. The sessions each year since then have been looked forward to as events of great interest by each one entitled to be registered as a member of the Smutz family. Each year shows some change in the roll of membership some additions by birth or marriage or some removed by the hand of death.

The seventh re-union was held July 12, 1906 at the nice home of Mrs. Florence Smutz and B. C. Smutz in Mendon, Mo. Crowds could be seen coming towards Mendon from every direction and before the noon hour arrived 83 persons were present. Among them were:

Mrs. Lillie Moore and children, Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Adda Liffing, Mansfield, Ohio; J. C. Smutz, Connellsville, Pa.; Mrs. Agnes Woodward, Columbia, Mo.; Mrs. Cora Britt, and children, St. Louis; I. S. Woodward and family, Wichita, Kas.; C. E. Mullin and family, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.

The younger members enjoyed themselves by swinging and various games, while the older ones renewed the acquaintance of by-gone years until dinner was announced. Two tables, each 60 feet long, were erected in the shade of the maple trees and were loaded down with good things prepared by loving hands in such a manner as to make them irresistible to the four score who sat down together. After all were satisfied an abundance of good things were left for supper.

The assembly was called to order by the President I. S. Woodward with one of his good speeches, B. C. Smutz delivered an address of welcome.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, B. C. Smutz, Mendon, vice-president, C. B. Rucker, Brunswick; secretary, Mrs. Myrtle Marshall; on programme committee, Lola Knight, Emma Smith and Maggie Smutz.

A very interesting programme was rendered consisting of vocal and instrument music, recitations and addresses.

The invitation to hold the eighth re-union at the home of Joshua Smutz was accepted. A general good time was then enjoyed until the hour for "good-byes," each one feeling that the day had been a success and looking forward with happy anticipations to the next year's meeting.

Christian Church July 22.

Sunday-school, 9:30 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m., Subject: "The Ten Virgins." Lord's supper 11:45 a. m. Preaching, 8 p. m., Subject: "Salvation by Grace."

We saw some in church last Lord's day with their Bible. We would be pleased to have everybody come and bring their Bibles and test all we say by the same standard. You are invited. Come!

J. E. WOLFE, Pastor.

Louie Hansman purchased the T. V. Phelps property Tuesday. Consideration \$1,700.